IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the second paragraph of page 6 and replace with the following new paragraph. Changes from the original have been highlighted.

A standard interface for controlling an SMBus is defined in Advanced Configuration and Power Interface (ACPI), Specification 2.0, which can be downloaded from http://www.acpi.info/index.html. Via that interface described in Section 13.9 of the ACPI Specification, an ACPI-compatible operating system can communicate with embedded controller-based SMBus host controllers (EC-SMB-HG). The interface consists of a block of registers that reside in embedded controller address space. These registers are used by software to initiate SMBus transactions and receive SMBus notifications. Figure 23, reference numeral 208, designates an ACPI-compliant register set.